



Ninety-Ninth Legislature - First Session - 2005
Introducer's Statement of Intent
LB 661

Chairperson: Douglas Cunningham
Committee: Business and Labor
Date of Hearing: March 14, 2005

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 661 creates the Advocacy Leave Act. The intent of this act is to allow employees up to 24 hours of unpaid leave for the purpose of advocacy activities. The bill would allow someone from any part of the state to testify at a legislative hearing, participate in a local event, or accompany a parent, spouse, or child to an advocacy activity.

This bill provides leave from employment for advocacy activities that address the important needs of changing family structures. It is in the state's best interest to ensure that Nebraskans from all demographic groups have the ability to advocate for their own policy interests and that of their families while prospering at work.

Principal Introducer:

Senator Marian L. Price